

## Copeland Calls On U. S. to Help Fight Influenza

Surgeon General Says All Incoming Vessels Are Watched: Disease Not General Through Nation

Slight Increase Here

Pneumonia Spreads Slowly: Anti-Vaccine Ready at City Health Quarters

With an increase of 184 influenza and nineteen pneumonia cases reported in the five boroughs of the city yesterday over those of Friday, Health Commissioner Copeland got in communication with Surgeon General Hugh S. Cummings of the United States Public Health Service, regarding measures to be taken in the event of a continued spread of the diseases.

The Health Commissioner was informed by Dr. Cummings that advice he had received from abroad indicated an increase but that apparently the diseases had not become widespread in the United States.

**Incoming Ships Watched**  
Dr. Cummings told him he was giving watchful attention to incoming ships to make sure no cases of active influenza were admitted to the country. The Commissioner said, "The situation in the city is uncomfortable, but not alarming."

"The figures show a slight increase in the city. We find that since January 1, 1922, there have been 3,261 pneumonia cases reported, as against 1,459 reported in the same period last year. So far this year we have had 499 deaths from pneumonia as compared with 492 in the same period last year. These figures appear to verify our view that we are dealing with a mild epidemic of pneumonia rather than influenza. The high percentage of fatalities in pneumonia should be a warning to every person who has a cold or a symptom of influenza to take the necessary precautions to avoid severe complications."

His deaths were reported from influenza yesterday, or one more than on Friday. Yesterday's pneumonia deaths were forty-eight, or four fewer than were reported Friday. Three hundred and eighty-seven influenza cases were reported yesterday, against 202 Friday. The pneumonia cases reported yesterday were 80, and on Friday, 76.

As the result of the publicity given the Commissioner and another prominent figure that the Health Department had developed an anti-pneumonia vaccine for distribution by private physicians for persons who can afford to pay for it and to public dispensaries for those who cannot pay, many inquiries were made of the department yesterday. In reply the Commissioner pointed out that the vaccine was of no value to persons already affected with the disease and that its field of action was limited to the possible prevention of pneumonia, and should not be administered by a layman. If any person desired to have the vaccine injections, used on himself or a member of his or her family, the person should arrange with the family physician to give it. Dr. Copeland explained.

"If the doctor will telephone," said the Commissioner, to the head of the Health Department's headquarters, in his borough a motorcycle policeman will deliver the vaccine to the physician. For persons too poor to employ a physician, provision will be made at all the borough headquarters for administration of the vaccine.

"The fight will be in attendance from Monday morning at 10 o'clock. They will be in the borough offices each day from 10 a. m. till noon, and from 2 to 4 p. m."

Many cases of influenza and pneu-

monia were reported in Washington. Dr. Copeland said after his telephone conversation with the Surgeon General there. The Surgeon General told him he had no advice from other centers of population, indicating that no alarm was being felt in those places.

Dr. Copeland pointed out that the influenza cases so far this year have been of a much milder type than was the case in 1918, when the epidemic was all-pervasive. Each succeeding year leaves the disease less violent in its effects by reason of the people's past experiences with it. The percentage of fatalities therefore is correspondingly lower each year. This is not true of pneumonia, he said.

The Health Commissioner regards every person in the city as his charge. To impress upon them the importance of their care of themselves he issued the following statement:

"It is impossible in this city to keep out of crowds, and the average person feels he cannot afford to stay at home if he has a cold. There can be no doubt, however, that the individual and the community safety depends on the removal of the infected person from the mass. In a factory or other place where large numbers are employed the employer will profit in the long run if he sends home the workman who is manifestly ill. There ought to be some person in every place of employment who understands the use of the clinical thermometer. If the temperature of an ailing employee is taken, and he is found to have a degree or two of fever he should go home and exclude himself from his family until the family physician examines him."

Influenza and pneumonia are contact diseases, not particularly by casual contact, but tremendously dangerous

by long continued contact such as comes in the family or office.

"I am sorry we have this change of weather. There can be no doubt the cold, raw, damp weather will bring an increase in the disease. I shall not be surprised if there is quite a jump in the next few days. The importance of this observation should bring extra precautions on the part of the public. Warm clothing and dry feet are essential to good health. I trust, however, that our citizens will not shut themselves in their homes, but that tomorrow they will get a reasonable amount of fresh air."

**'Big Tom' Foley Takes Trip**

Mediterranean Tour His First Vacation in 20 Years

"Big Tom" Foley, the Tammany leader, who said he has had no vacation in twenty years, sailed yesterday with Mrs. Foley on the Cunard liner *Acadia* for a cruise to the Mediterranean, which is being made under the direction of Thomas Cook & Son.

Former Governor Smith was at the pier to see the Foleys sail.

Another voyager on the *Acadia* was Edward P. Hughes, former police inspector, who will make the entire tour. The vessel also took out twelve horsemen, crabs which are being shipped alive to the Prince of Monaco by Henry Fairfield Osborn, of the American Museum of Natural History. The prince, who is a noted oceanographer, expressed a desire when he recently to put some of the species in his museum at Monaco.

## U. S. to Collect Excess Profits Of Railroads

Action Taken Under Transportation Act to Obtain Half of the Net Returns Exceeding 6 Per Cent

Amount Not Yet Known

Valuations on Which Estimate Is Based Not Fixed for Individual Lines

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Railroads which earned more than 6 per cent upon the value of their property used in transportation during the period from September 1, 1920, to January 1, 1921, are required, under an order issued today by the Interstate Commerce Commission, to turn half of the excess so earned over to the government.

The order, as issued by the commission, makes effective sections of the transportation act of 1920 and prescribes rules for the application of these sections.

Railroads during the four months specified in the order are understood to have earned a considerable amount in excess of the 6 per cent limitation prescribed by Congress, but the valuations not having been given out for the individual lines the amounts cannot yet be calculated. The transportation act, in addition to providing that until March 1, 1922, rates should be made by the Interstate Commerce Commission sufficient to give the railroads at least 5 1/2 per cent on their properties, provided for the recovery by the government of half of all the amount earned by any road over 6 per cent.

The commission, in fixing the rates, found a tentative value for railroad property by groups throughout the United States but did not segregate this to individual roads.

General increases were granted in rates in 1920 and during the last four months of the year while traffic volumes were large, railroad earnings were reported in excess of the 6 per cent clause, but for all of the months of 1921 and so far in 1922 the returns have not indicated that any sums could be collected by the government under the law.

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## Rector Identified As Man for Whom Divorcee Called

Boston Shocked on Learning the Rev. Francis Boyer Was 'Frank' Named by a Woman Who Took Poison

Special Dispatch to The Tribune

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—Identification today of the Rev. Francis B. Boyer, former curate at the Church of the Advent and former Episcopal rector in New Bedford, as the mysterious "Frank" for whom Mrs. Bernice Boucher, thirty-one years old, called after she had taken twenty-five poison tablets, created a sensation in Back Bay church and Red Cross circles, where the Rev. Mr. Boyer and his wife, who is a niece of Miss Jack Gardner, are well known.

"Oh, Frank, Frank, why did you make me do it?" the young widow and divorcee moaned before she fell unconscious in an apartment adjoining her luxurious quarters at 1738 Commonwealth Avenue, Allston.

Mr. Boyer, who went voluntarily to the Brighton police station, where he talked with Captain Hall and Sergeant Harrington, said he could give no reason why Mrs. Boucher should have taken poison.

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and tried to aid her friends in ridding her system of the poison.

Mr. Boyer told them, the police say, that he met Mrs. Boucher at a party about six months ago. He had called at her apartment occasionally, the last time being Wednesday. At that time Mrs. Boucher spoke of not feeling well. Mrs. Boucher, according to Boyer's statement, had planned to sublet her apartment and go to work in Boston. Investigation revealed Mrs. Boucher's life for the last eight years to have been replete with romance and drama. The crossing of her career with that of the Rev. Mr. Boyer, "Fighting Rector," and married by injuries received on the firing line at France, astounded both her friends and his.

"Send for Mr. Boyer at Parkway 51678," Mrs. Boucher directed a woman friend in an adjoining apartment after she had taken too poison.

In a short time a man who said he was Mr. Boyer appeared at the apartment. He accompanied the young woman to St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Brighton, where tonight the doctors held out hope for her recovery.

**Girls to Study Dressing**

Course in Clothes Planned at Kansas College

EMPORIA, Kan., Jan. 28.—What clothes women should wear and how to wear them will be the contents of a new course on "Hygiene of Clothing" that will be offered by the Department of Home Economics at the College of Emporia the second semester of this school year.

A study will be made of the length of a dress, the width of the skirt, the

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